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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 17, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This amendment is being submitted in response to the non-final Office action dated August 17, 2004. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office action. This response is therefore timely filed within the extended period of response. This amendment is accompanied by a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$450.00 for the requisite petition fee. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.